

VAST SOCIAL POWER.

Placed in the Hands of Mrs. Paget
by King Edward.

His Majesty Consulted Her as to the
Advisability of Permitting the
Prince of Wales to Visit
New York.

The advice of an American woman
may determine whether or not the
Prince of Wales will visit this coun-
try to attend the dedication of the
New York chamber of commerce's
new home. Decision on the question
awaits the return of King Edward
from his spring cruise, and it is be-
lieved in court circles that probabili-
ties incline toward its acceptance.

It is thought likely that the king,
to whom the prince has deferred the
question, will be largely guided by
suggestions of Americans in London
society.

It is said that Mrs. Arthur H. Paget
(the daughter of Paron Stevens, of
New York) has been consulted as
well as Secretary White, of the United
States embassy. In his private ca-
pacity, Mr. White has been persona
grata with King Edward for many
years.

The prince of Wales has no intimate
friends in the Anglo-American
set. Indeed, it may be said generally
that his friends are not the king's
friends. He does not cultivate mil-
lionsaires, but has his friends among
the oldest aristocrats, who rather
look down on the "Marlborough
house set" as money worshipers and
notoriety-hunters.

The prince is extremely quiet and
unobtrusive—in truth, he is
rather shy and has none of the sail-
orlike bluntness which carried Prince
Henry of Prussia so far. He has a
good deal of his father's tact, and,
under the tutelage of Gen. Bigge, his
private secretary, he always does the
correct thing.

In court circles it is almost as-
sumed that if the prince goes to New
York he will go in a semi-private ca-



MRS. ARTHUR H. PAGET.
Daughter of the Late Mr. Paron Stevens,
of New York.

city, for if he should go as the of-
ficial representative of King Edward
there would arise many awkward
questions of precedence and eti-
quette which it would be desirable to
avoid.

It is suggested, says the New York
World, that an easy and grateful
way of treating the invitation would
be for the prince to get command of
the newest battleship, and accom-
panied by two cruisers cross to New
York. In this capacity he would sim-
ply be a naval officer and would se-
cure board and privacy by residing
aboard his own ship.

Anyway it is not thought that the
German precedent of crossing in an
ocean liner would be followed, as
such a method of approaching the
United States is held to be peculiarly
unfitting in a representative of the
greatest naval power in the world.

It is very probable that this
scheme may be adopted if a visit is
found to be possible.

The prince's suite would be small,
consisting only of six members.

There would be two gentlemen-in-
waiting, including Hon. Derek W.
Keppel (a brother of George Kep-
pel, who is well known in Chicago);
a military and naval attaché, Gen. Sir
Arthur Bigge, private secretary, and
Sir Donald Mackenzie Wallace, the
prince's historiographer.

All invitations to the prince would
be forwarded to Gen. Bigge, who
would submit the arrangements for
the prince's approval.

Saves Sleep for His Firm.
There is a man in New York city
who holds down a hilarious job. He
serves a big firm in the capacity of
entertainer. The buyers whom
he entertains suppose him to be a
junior partner in the firm, but he
isn't. He is simply a buffer between
the firm and the buyer. He saves
sleep for the firm, and big heads and
that morning feeling. He bears the
brunt of the buyers' stored-up skit-
fulness. The average buyer has an
astounding glitter in his eyes from
the minute that he sets foot in town.

There is much that he desires to see.
This buyer entertainer shows it to him.
Sometimes he meets a buyer who near-

ly outdoes him in the high-ball home
stretch about two o'clock in the morn-
ing; but, as a rule, he gets the buyer
to his hotel in a safe condition.

Alone in Her Old Age.
Mrs. Mary Elvira Gillespie, at the
age of 84, has just been admitted to a
hospital in Denver. She is the moth-
er of 37 children, among them being
15 sets of twins. Strange to say, all
of the children have drifted away from
her, and she knows not the address of
any of them.

COURT PROTECTS WIDOW.

**Love-Sick Prisoner Is Forbidden by
a Chicago Judge to Call on
Woman He Adores.**

Frank Yinker was told by a Chicago
justice the other day that he must not
annoy Mrs. Annie Zappergolka, a
widow, of 172 West Fourteenth street,
who caused his arrest a few days ago
because he persisted in laying his
heart and soul at her feet. Yinker ex-
plained to the justice that he was in
love with the widow, and he believed
he could not go through this life with-
out her.

"I can't help that," answered Yin-
ker. "She is the only woman I ever
loved, and I want to marry her. I
will make her my wife at this moment
if she will only consent."

"I wouldn't have him," answered the
widow. "I don't want him to come
to my home, and I want him to keep
away from me. I have told him re-
peatedly not to call on me, but he in-
sists."

Yinker looked appealingly at the
woman, only to receive a cold look
from her.

"Forgive me," he pleaded, as he held
out his hands. "Let me come back
and I'll be good."

"No, sir; you can never come back,
and I want you to take your presents
back and never bother me any more,"
was the answer.

The justice told the prisoner that
if the widow objected to his calling
on her he must cease.

"But I must return there and get
my presents back," he pleaded.

"He can't come into my home. I
will throw the presents through a win-
dow," insisted the complainant.

The love-sick prisoner gave his con-
sent and followed the widow to her
home. There through an open win-
dow bunches of letters and other ar-
ticles were thrown to him, and Yin-
ker walked sadly away.

GIRL FOILS ROBBERS.

**How Merta Covert Protected Her
Grandfather and Saved His
Hard-Earned Money.**

There is a white-haired man in the
state of New York who thinks that it
would be hard to find a braver girl
than Merta Covert. Merta is his own
granddaughter, but that fact does not
alter his opinion.

One day just as the winter was clos-
ing the grandfather, Joseph Covert,
and Merta were driving from Middlet-
own to their country home. Both
were feeling unusually light hearted,
for Mr. Covert had disposed of some
cattle very profitably and was carry-
ing home several hundred dollars. At
a lonely spot in the hilly road two
strangers met them, stopped the

horses and attempted to spring into
the sleigh. The old man realized at
once what their purpose was, and
made desperate efforts to protect his
property, but he was helpless in their
hands. Neither of them paid any at-
tention to the girl, but Merta, who has
a pair of strong arms of her own, and
courage to match, had no intention of
quietly looking on to see her grand-
father robbed.

Snatching up the whip, she wielded
it vigorously. One of the men she
knocked from the sleigh at the first
blow. Leaning forward, she lashed
the horses to a run, and then as the
sleigh leaped ahead she gave her at-
tention to the second man, who appar-
ently lost courage on finding himself
abandoned. In a moment he, too,
dropped off into the snow, and Merta
and her grandfather triumphantly
went on their way with the money the
girl had so bravely defended.

NATIONAL AFRO-AMERICAN

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FIRST: The object and purpose of
the National Afro-American Republi-
can League of the United States will
be to educate and instruct the people
in Republican Politics and organize re-
publican clubs in each state and terri-
tory in the union; to distribute literature,
and to arouse an interest among the
colored people in republican politics
and to work for the interest, advan-
cement and success of the republican
party.

SECOND: The number to organize
subordinate republican club shall be
not less than fifteen (15). Each club
shall consist of a president, first and
second vice-president, secretary, a
treasurer and executive committee of
five.

THIRD: Each republican club that
has been permanently organized will
be entitled to one delegate in the an-
nual session in the National Afro-
American Republican League of the United
States.

FOURTH: Each republican club will
send in a list of the officers and mem-

bers of their club once a year to the
president and general secretary.

The next convention will be held at
Springfield, Ohio, August 15, 1902.

FROG IN HER STOMACH.

**Operation for Appendicitis in a New
York Hospital Leads to an As-
tonishing Result.**

A large frog was removed from a
woman's stomach in St. Catherine's
hospital, in Williamsburg, N. Y., the
other day. The woman is Mrs. Charles
Burtis, of Hopewell Junction, near
Mattewan, N. Y. She had been suffer-
ing from a trouble which baffled her
physicians for some time. It was
finally decided that an operation for
appendicitis would be advisable, and
she was taken to the Williamsburg
hospital.

A fishkill (N. Y.) doctor performed
the operation, which revealed that she
was not suffering from appendicitis.
But the doctors did discover and re-
move from her stomach a live frog.
It is supposed that she swallowed the
frog when it was small while she was
drinking water.

It was said at the hospital that Mrs.
Burtis had already returned to her
home and had recovered entirely from
the ill effects of her unpleasant expe-
rience.

Big Lot of Freight Cars.

In the past four years, at Pitts-
burg, Pa., 40,578 cars have been built,
using over 202,890,000 pounds of iron
and steel. If these cars were placed
end to end, and allowing for length
of coupling three feet, they would
make a train 270 miles long, would
carry 4,057,200,000 pounds of freight,
and the total weight of cars and
freight would be over 4,200,000,000
pounds.

SHOT A SEA SERPENT.

**The 1902 Reptile of the Deep Is Fired
At After Exposing Itself for a
Quiet Half Hour.**

A monstrous sea serpent, vicious
and awful looking, was the sight that
brought fright to the crew of the
schooner Samuel B. Hubbard only a
few days ago. This vessel, of which
Capt. Mahaffey is master, has just ar-
rived in Brunswick, Ga., from New
York. Her commander, who is well
known to all the north Atlantic ports,
vouches for the authenticity of the
story, and the facts are corroborated
by his first mate, Mr. Coverdale. Capt.
Mahaffey says:

"It was on the 23d, in north lati-
tude 34 degrees 41 minutes, and west lon-
gitude 76 degrees 10 minutes. The ship
was lying becalmed about 12 noon,
when the chief mate called my atten-
tion to something in the water just
abeam, a quarter of a mile off. Along

and coming toward us with such great
rapidity that it looked like an old
thresher at work. It very quickly
worked under our quarter, and in the
clear water we saw the queerest fish
out. As it lay quiet within 15 feet of
the vessel it appeared to be about 30
feet long by three feet in circumfer-
ence. A smooth body, showing no fins
but the dorsals, three of them, one
short, one, say, about a foot long, near
the head. Then half way down the
body a long, tail-like fin about seven
feet long and about five inches wide,
and near the tail a small hind fin. The
tail was unlike a fish, ending at a
point, without a fin. The body was a
deep pink color to the middle, and
darkening to a light brown at the
tail.

"The head was fully three feet long;
the mouth close to the top. The eyes
were large and close to the top of the
head. We had a good look at the fel-
low as he stayed by fully half an hour.
Then the mate got a shotgun and as
the fish lay with half of his upper body
exposed, sent a charge of small shot
in. It evidently hurt him, for he
leaped out of the water half his length

and sounded like a whale. It came
to the surface in a few seconds and
if it kept up the gait it started with
the serpent in near the western coast
of Africa by this time."

Keen Observation.

"Do you know anything about the
people who have moved next door?"
she inquired.

"Not much," he answered; "except
that their honeymoon is not yet over."

"How did you find that out?"

"By observing. It was raining when
he came home this evening, but she did
not make him stop at the front door
to wipe his feet."—Washington Star.

What He Would Need.

"My friend," exclaimed the eloquent
minister, "were the average man to
turn and look himself squarely in the
eyes and ask himself what he really
needed most, what would be the first
reply suggested to his mind?"

"A rubber neck!" shouted the pre-
cocious urchin in the rear of the room.
—Tit-Bits.

Appreciates His Secretary.

William H. Moody, the new secre-
tary of the navy, is a smart and bright
man, but he thinks there are some
other men who deserve credit for abil-
ity. He lately sent a photograph of
himself to his secretary, with these
words written on it: "Let this signa-
ture attest that much, very much, of
my success is due to the loyal, intelli-
gent and faithful service of my secre-
tary."

At Second Baptist Lyceum.

Tomorrow will be "Pen and Pencil
Club" day at the Second Baptist Ly-
ceum and an exceptionally fine enter-
tainment is promised by the Club and
the Lyceum. Judge Thomas H. An-
derson, Associate Justice of the Su-
preme Court of the D. C., will deliver
the principal address, after which will
be addresses by the following well
known members of the Club: Arthur
S. Gray, R. W. Thompson, John H.
Paynter and W. L. Board.

Musical selections will be furnished
by Hoffman's Instrumental Quartette,
Mrs. Robt. Pelham, Jr. in addition to
which vocal solos will be rendered by
Mme. Estelle Masaton and Thomas
A. Johnson.

The Amphions.

The well known Amphion club of
this city need their eleventh an-
nual meeting for the election of offi-
cers and the transaction of important
matters Wednesday evening.

The following persons were elected
to serve one year: Messrs. J. H. Wash-
ington, president; Wm. H. Carter, Jr.,
vice-president; J. D. Wilson, secre-
tary; Chas. A. Champ, treasurer; Al-
bert Dixon, librarian; Prof. J. Henry
Lewis, manager and director.

Mr. Wm. H. Richards, Justice R. H.
Terrell, Prof. J. T. Layton, Mr. Jer-

ome A. Johnson, Maj. Arthur Brooks,
Capt. F. T. Webster, Mr. Walter J.
Abrams, Mr. Jas. F. Alston, Capt. E.
L. Webster, Mr. C. F. M. Brown, Mr.
Nathan Rudin, Mr. Wm. Tecumseh
Smith, Mr. Richard Green and Dr. P.
B. Brooks were elected to honorary
membership. The several annual re-
ports submitted showed the organi-
zation to be in a prosperous condition.

Attorney King Speaks.

Attorney I. M. King of the District
bar delivered an address before the
Business High School on last Thurs-
day afternoon which was highly com-
mendable. His subject was "Choos-
ing Occupations." In speaking to the
class that is about to graduate, and
the other pupils in the school, he ad-
vised them to choose an occupation
and no question is more important
to a pupil than this. He said that
every pupil should have some aim in
life. When you are going through
school always keep one point in view,
and that is what should be your oc-
cupation after having graduated. What
business will you pursue? When you
keep your mind on the business in
which you would desire to engage or
the occupation you would like to fol-
low, you can never go astray. After
giving a brief history of his own strug-
gles in life, he concluded his address
amidst great applause.

Now Pencils Are Made.

Pencils are very skillfully con-
structed. When the column of
graphite has been prepared for use
in the pencil it is laid in a slit cut
for it, covered with another piece of
wood, which is glued on; then, by
means of ingenious machinery the
wooden covers are reduced to the
proper size for pencils, and painted
or varnished and set aside to dry.

Windows in Spite Fence.

A lady in New Haven erected a
"spite fence" to keep the workmen in
a factory next door to her house
from making goo-goo eyes at her.
Now a justice has decided that she
must put ground glass windows in
the fence, to give light to the fac-
tory.

Large French Automobile.

The largest automobile in the world
is being constructed for a Parisian
doctor. In it, accompanied by two
medical students, he intends to make
a trip around the world. It will
have two sleeping apartments, a
large workroom and four big tanks
for storing oil.

WATSON'S PARK.

**Grand Opening May 15—Its Second
Season.**

One of the most refreshing resorts
in the city and one that is highly re-
spectable and where families may go
on private picnics is Watson's Park,
Md., conducted by Mr. A. D. Watson,
a well known and highly enterprising
citizen of Washington. This is Mr.
Watson's second season and the im-
provements that he has made, since
last year, for the accommodation of
his many patrons, are many. New
summer booths have been erected; new
tables and many other new conve-
niences. Mr. Watson will serve
meals at all hours at a reasonable
price. Churches, private parties,
clubs and are respectfully requested to
send in their names for dates.

This park may be reached by every
car line in the city and a glance at the
advertisement in this week's BEE will
give you full directions.

May 15

is the general opening of this
park and the card of Mr. Watson
to the public will fully explain itself.

Second season.

"To my friends and public: I cordially
extend an invitation to my friends,
patrons and the public to attend the
Grand Opening of my park on Thurs-
day May 15, 1902 from 1 p. m. till 12
a. m. on which occasion a full brass
band will be in attendance. There
will be a free colation which will con-
sist of meats and refreshments in sea-
son, Plank shad etc.
Good car service. Notice figure hand
pointing to the park.

Respectfully,
A. D. Watson.

Season Tickets Via B. & O. R. R.

on Sale May 1st.

Beginning May 1st, the Baltimore &
Ohio R. R. will commence the daily
sale of regular Summer Excursion
tickets, limited to Oct. 31st returning,
to all Seaside, Mountain and Spring
resorts, at greatly reduced rates.
Full information as to the rates, routes
and service cheerfully given at Ticket
Office 707 15 St., 619 Pa. Ave. and De-
pot N. J. Ave. and C.

THE RIVER QUEEN.

The River Queen under the Man-
agement of Mr. L. J. Woollen is open
for business. Go at once and select
your DATE.

HOME SEEKERS AND COLO-

NIST'S RATES VIA B. AND O.

R. R.

To California, Washington and Ore-
gon points \$48.00. Proportionate re-
ductions to intermediate points. For
full information apply at B. and O. R.
R. Ticket Office—707 15 St., 619 Pa.
Ave. and Depot N. J. Ave. and C. St.

CLARK BEATS JONES.

**Bryan's Manager Defeated in Ar-
kansas Legislative Fight.**

**Victor Is an Eccentric Chap and
Hater from 'Way Back—His Rec-
ord as Governor Marked by
Bold Decision.**

By defeating James K. Jones, for-
mer manager of Bryan's campaign, in
their recent senatorial battle, ex-Gov.
James P. Clark, of Arkansas, has once
more demonstrated the eccentric fight-
ing qualities which have made him so
prominent as well as so bizarre a fig-
ure in western politics.

Jones has already served one term
as United States senator for Arkan-
sas. He came up for reelection, his
chief opponents being Gov. Jefferson
Davis and ex-Gov. Clark. Davis quick-
ly dropped out, leaving the struggle
between Jones and Clark. The latter,
after a hot campaign, proved the vic-
tor.

Ex-Gov. Clark, although only 47
years old, has had a long and decidedly
eventful—not to say tumultuous—poli-
tical career.

He is in many respects, says the New
York World, the typical western
statesman, the sort seen of late more
often on the stage than in real life.
He is a character essentially American,
and as incongruous in our present sen-
ate as a mailed visigoth at a village
prayer meeting.

"Old Cotton Top," as Clark has been
nicknamed, on account of his snow-
white hair, is very tall, lean and
straight as an Indian, with a hand-
some, distinguished face and a man-
ner whose outer dignity at times fails
to cloak the impulsiveness and even
ferocity of the inner man.

He is a man who has ever stood firm
on all points where he believed honor
to be involved, and who, in defense of
his principles, has made hosts of ene-
mies, damaged his political prospects
and has even been carried to the point
of physical violence.

Clark's first public office of note was
that of attorney general of Arkansas.
In this position he gave universal sat-



HON. JAMES P. CLARK.
(Victor in the Recent Senatorial Battle in
Arkansas.)

isfaction, and so thoroughly convinced
his party of his integrity and ability
that he was brought forward as candi-
date for governor.

Soon after his election it became evi-
dent that he possessed aggressive
qualities which were far more notice-
able in that exalted post than they had
proved while he was merely attorney
general.

As governor he suddenly brought
himself and his state before the pub-
lic eye by his action in the proposed
Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight.

Corbett was at that time champion
heavy-weight pugilist of the world.
Fitzsimmons had challenged him, the
articles had been signed, and all that
remained was to fix on a place where
the fight could occur without legal in-
terference.

Hot Springs, Ark., was at last chosen.
All arrangements were made, the date
was set for October, 1895; every legal
obstacle was apparently cleared away
and the fight seemed a certainty. But
at this juncture Gov. Clark quietly for-
bade the men to hold the contest in
Arkansas, declaring it illegal. This unex-
pected fiat roused the liveliest sort of
opposition from all sides. Protests
poured in, a mass meeting was held,
money is said to have been offered to
abandon his attitude of resistance. It
was pointed out that he was antagoniz-
ing the people and endangering his fu-
ture career.

The only effect of all these pleadings
was to strengthen the governor in his
decision that the fight should not come
off in Arkansas.

When it was suggested that means
might be taken to circumvent his an-
thority he raked up an old statute
which empowered the governor to or-
ganize an army of 100,000 men, if neces-
sary, and take possession of any sec-
tion of the state, holding it until or-
der was restored.

Clark threatened to raise such an
army and, with himself at its head, to
quell any disturbance incident on his
refusal to permit the fight to go on.

This proved a death-blow to the
fighters' hopes, but it was, perhaps, al-
most as hard a blow to Gov. Clark's
career.



They Say.

Friendship in man or woman should be nursed with care.

What can you expect from the evil hearted.

Defend your friends against the assaults of your enemies.

It is best always to listen to the advice of friends.

Don't imagine that you are greater than the person who made you.

We are often persuaded by the bad advice of others.

Your friends can stand some things but not every thing.

Don't worry about the talk of others.

Some people will talk because you succeed.

Weigh every word that falls from the lips of your pretended friends.

Don't allow yourselves to fall into a trap.

Be careful how you talk and what you say.

It is dangerous to betray your friends.

Colored political office holders dare not express an honest opinion.

Hon. John P. Green expressed manly sentiments at the Second Baptist Church last Sunday.

Be truthful always and be cheerful when you can.

Do your duty and think of nothing more.

The best man in the world is the honest man.

Dr. Rayburn wants suffrage in the District of Columbia.

Never deceive your friends it is more or less fatal to you.

The duty of every one is to be honest.

Why not abolish the Juvenile Court.

Justice O'Donnell is doing business at the same old stand.

Never smite the hand that helped you.

Ingratitude is stronger than traitors, arms.

"A friend in need is a friend in deed" is an aphorism too true.

Some people will listen to all that is told them.

Always remember that there are two sides to all questions. Always give the benefit of a doubt to the indicted party.

Noble deeds always emanate from noble men.

Be certain in all things before you act.

Don't come to conclusions before you reason out the proposition.

Postmaster Payne is a politician but not strong enough to win the next fight.

John E. New of Indiana will control that delegation.

You cannot subsidize him.

All that looks fair, is some times cloudy behind glasses.

Why is the business High School to be turned into an industrial school.

Don't say a word but watch events.

It is not strange to see our enemies turn against us.

Gorman will be a candidate for the democratic nomination.

Think well and do your duty.

Be what you are and nothing more.

Read THE BEE if you want a good paper.

Don't believe all you hear.

All questions have two sides to them.

Think well before you consent to act.

Politics will be warm soon.

There will be an investigation of southern frauds.

Edward H. Deas is making a manly fight.

Who told Booker T. Washington to give out the Lyon's interview.

Is the southern wizard true to his trust.

NICE HOUSEHOLD PET.

New Jersey Country Gentleman Says That a Milk Snake Is Far Superior to a Cat.

"A milk snake came into my back yard the other day," said a man from Sussex county, New Jersey, to a New York Sun correspondent, "and much to my sorrow and indignation my hired man grabbed a club and killed it."

"If people who live where the milk snake abides only knew the possibilities of that mild-mannered, docile creature, they wouldn't try to kill every specimen of the species they met. The milk snake would become a great deal more useful and give more pleasure as a pet than a house cat, if people only would give it a chance. Mice and rats will soon hunt for other quarters if you let a milk snake introduce itself into your household and leave it to its own methods, and your baby would cease crying if you had a milk snake to amuse it."

"We once let one of these snakes remain undisturbed in our house, into which it had come timidly, but confidently, one day, and it became so tame that it would drink milk out of a cup held in the hands of any member of the family, and was plainly pleased when it was stroked or fondled. It was an excellent mouser, and our old cat got to be so jealous of the snake that he would hump his back and spit and swear outrageously whenever we petted it or even praised it."

"The snake made all sorts of overtures and attempts to be friends with the cat, but the cat wouldn't have it, and I always thought it was the cat that at last made away with the snake, although my folks said it was a strange dog that did the deed. I found him in the back yard one day, dead, and badly mangled, and there was great grief in the household over his taking off."

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GOOD MAN IN TROUBLE.

Those "Three Little Thompsons" Were Beyond the Understanding of Madam, His Wife.

"In my business I come in contact with all sorts of animal-people from the ordinary snake charmer to the owner of a private menagerie," said a prominent New York snake and reptile man, whose name for the purposes of this story must be "Thompson," to a New York Times reporter. "Not long ago I presented three little alligators to a certain 'lady snake charmer' named Hedwig, who was one of my regular customers. I received a letter of thanks in return, saying that once the little chaps were trained they would appear on theater programmes



READING BETWEEN HER TEETH.

as the "Three Thompsons," named in my honor.

"Hedwig was a picturesque sort of snake charmer, the kind of woman, though homely and unattractive as a stone wall, whom a fellow could not well help mentioning even in one's home. I think I spoke altogether too much about Hedwig to begin with. To add to the fuel I had been obliged to meet her several times in a business way after her evening performances."

"One day I got a letter from Hedwig, and after reading it I innocently took it home. It came near breaking up my establishment and raising the roof off of the house. My wife found the letter and stood before me with flaming eye, reading between her teeth:

"The three little Thompsons are not at all well, and I think you had better come down to see us. Signed, 'Hedwig' with a wife with a contemptuous drawn-out slur on the name, 'H-e-d-w-i-g!'"

"Imagine the rest."

UNEXPECTED ANSWER.

Little Foreign Boy Had a Well-Deserved Understanding of the Meaning of "Anniversary."

The New York Telegram tells this amusing story of a bright young teacher, in charge of a bright young class, composed of many foreign children.

To increase their vocabulary she had hit on a guessing game. She told the class of what she was thinking, and they named the object.

This time she had thought of the word birthday, and the lesson went on in this fashion:

"Now, little folks, I'm thinking of something you all have. You don't have it very often, just once every year. Even I have one. What is it? I'll give

you a minute to think, and when you are sure you know raise your hand."

Hands began to go up rapidly.

"My," said this bright young teacher, "I really think I have the best little folks in all this big school. They all think so fast, and I know they are thinking of the very thing I thought. I'm going to let Morris tell. I'm sure he knows."

Morris rose to his feet, stood in the aisle in true military position, and like a shot from a gun, in response to the teacher's:

"Tell us what it is, Morris?" came the ready answer:

"A clean undershirt, teacher."

Carrying Mail in Alaska.

Oscar Fish, of Valdez, Alaska, who was recently awarded for another period of years the contract for carrying the United States mails from Valdez to Eagle receives \$35,000 a year for making two trips a month between the two points, a distance of about 413 miles. The mail carried is limited to 300 pounds, and consists generally of letters only. Post office department officials say, however, that the sum paid him is reasonable, when it is considered that he makes his trip by dog sled and that he has the most dangerous route of any mail carrier in the world, and that his trips keep him busy most of the time. He practically takes his life in his hands every time that he starts out on his solitary journey.

St. Joseph's Hoodoo Car.

Car No. 13, on the street railway of St. Joseph, Mo., had to be taken out of the company. The colored driver would not ride in it, deeming the number very unlucky. It ran through the district largely inhabited by negroes, and although the other cars were crowded, it was nearly always empty.

BULL WHIPPED LION.

Sickening Spectacle Worthy of Decadent Rome.

Gory Battle Witnessed by Thousands Who Seemed to Delight in the Bloodiest Contest in Mexican Records.

An El Paso (Tex.) correspondent of the St. Louis Republic writes that in the Juarez bull ring, across the Rio Grande, and on the Mexican side of the border from El Paso, a monster Numidian lion and a ferocious Samalayuca bull from the interior of Mexico fought each other almost to the death the other day. The lion probably will die.

No such exhibition has been given in Christendom since the bloody days of Rome, when lion-bullfighting and other similar contests were in vogue, and no other like it will probably be given at Juarez if the quaint and picturesque old border town stands a thousand years. The sangrinity, rarity and uniqueness of the encounter attracted spectators from dozens of states and from all over the Mexican republic.

The greater part of the audience in the great amphitheater surrounding the ring was from New Mexico, west Texas, Chihuahua and vicinity. Gray-haired Mexicans walked four days from the interior of Chihuahua to witness the exhibition.

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Disgorged Again.

Again the Arch Nihilist has disgorged his disgusting rot in the Senate to the disgrace of himself and the humiliation of the Southern representatives. We say nihilist, because the most ardent follower of the doctrine of Nihilism can hardly entertain views more revolutionary and subversive of good government than those expressed and gloried in by the boss of South Carolina. To hold a seat in the United States Senate, after swearing to support the constitution, and at the same time to declare his belief in the righteousness of political murder and other forms of political crime, whereby a republican form of government is denied his state, is to violate every instinct of decency and in-vult the intelligence and respectability of honest legislators. The Senator seems to take delight in injecting into every debate of whatever description, what he would seem to consider the ever present negro question and to indulge in bar-room language in characterizing the colored race.

Tillman has said much which is false but nothing which is more so than that he is the superior of the "nigger" as he calls them. His brother democratic Senators, who left the Senate in disgust, while he was indulging in his tirade, can testify that never has a colored Senator or member of Congress behaved so ungentlemanly and so brotherly and clownishly as did Tillman on last Wednesday week. This coarse-grained man in his eagerness to blacken the character and reputation of the colored people referred to an instance or two of crimes which were committed in Washington, as proof that the colored people were growing worse. An instance or two may have occurred, but thousands of similar instances are daily occurring in the South in which the whites are the perpetrators.

No one but a fool or a fiend would be guilty of charging such crimes to a whole race. Such talk only shows what a weak case Tillman has and to what extent he will strain a point to justify his nefarious doctrines and practices.

The cry of "negro domination" is a mere bugaboo and Tillman knows it. As a matter of fact when the ex-rebels refused or were ineligible to take part in the state governments at the South, the principal affairs were white natives showed a disposition to support good government they were elected to office and unanimously supported by the colored voters.

Moreover, it can be truly said that the laws which were passed by the southern legislatures during Reconstruction, were sound and just and have not been improved by those passed by their white successors. This talk of social equality and "nigger domination" seems to be the stock in trade of the average lazy dominating and pride blown southerner as it is as much like the truth as the German Empire is like a mosquito's elbow and conveys as much truth and common sense as the corns and bunions on the feet of Egyptian mummies. If it were pardonable to throw the flash light into the inner lines of thousands of the scanting hypocritical purists there would be revealed in remorse and social filth than can readily be imagined, as the numerous illegitimate can emphatically testify. But history repeats itself. The

slave oligarchy bulldozed and bragged and threatened and plotted. They defended an institution which was acknowledged to be wrong "morally, socially and politically" and which Jefferson condemned and Washington deplored. They declared that they would rule or ruin. The clash came and like all wrong doers and advocates of false doctrines, they went under. They now seek to gain by political plunder and murder what they lost in the fearful arbitrament of arms.

But Justice will not sleep forever. The attitude of Tillman is representative of the position of the majority of southern representatives. They may not favor the drastic applications advocated by the South Carolina blow hard, in the shape of murder. But they are cowering and scheming and diplomatizing in order to hold their representative power in Congress and at the same time deprive thousands and thousands of bona fide citizens of their right to vote. And it seems that their schemes are having some effect. There seems to be no disposition on the part of republicans to either defend the right of the colored people or to insist upon proper representation. The South seems to have these men "queered" and afraid to do what is right. But the future may discover a way of correcting this evil and sprucing up the back bone of our weak-kneed republican friends. In the coming elections, at the North, it is not improbable that colored voters will signify their wishes in a substantial manner which may give stimulus to many. The complexion of the House may be seriously affected if something is not done. Crumpacker has sounded the tocsin, the enemy is about to over run the country and it is high time that the power of such marplots as Tillman is curtailed or destroyed. Surely the republican party can hardly hope to maintain its pristine glory and influence, if it shows itself recreant to the grand principles and policies which gave it birth and sustained it for so many glorious years.

NEGRO COLONY FOR AFRICA.

Planning to Send Laborers from South to French Congo Land.

From the Post.

For several days T. Thomas Fortune, of New York; W. A. Pledger, of Georgia; E. E. Cooper, of Washington, and a number of other well-known colored men, have been conferring with H. A. Darnell and other directors of the Congo and Sangha Development Co., who are at the Arlington Hotel, in Washington, making arrangements to take a colony of American negroes to Africa, where, it is claimed, the company has secured a large tract of land, the French Congo.

The Congo and Sangha Development Company was incorporated last month under the laws of New Jersey for \$3,000,000. Among the incorporators are Emile Rendeux, of Brussels; M. Borowski, of Paris; H. A. Darnell, of Denver, and a number of other Europeans and Americans. The company has secured 3,000,000 acres of land from the French government. Most of the land is said to be rich in rubber trees, mahogany and other valuable woods, it is the purpose of the company to develop the rubber and prepare it for shipment to Europe. It is the purpose of the company to take laborers from the farms of the South and more than 1,000 negroes are to be sent to Africa during the next three months if the plans are carried out. Within a year the company expects to locate 15,000 settlers on its land. Only men will be sent to Africa for the first few months, but after homes have been prepared the families of the settlers will be taken to the new colony.

Every settler is to be allowed a certain amount of land, which he is to pay for during a term of years in rubber, timber, and other products, in which the country abounds. There is said to be an abundance of wild animals suitable for food in the country. Agents are visiting Georgia, the Carolinas and Alabama, and expect to secure settlers. The agents have been instructed to take only negroes from farming districts, as the company does not care to have any settlers who will not work and become producers.

The Bee would suggest to the gentlemen who are in the scheme to send one thousand negroes to Africa to lead the way and that will be some inducement to the already deceived American negroes to follow. The country can well afford to get rid of the presence of the men who are so foolish to give such advice as the above. Of course the Bee is well aware that none of them are in the scheme for their health. What is the matter with the millions of unemployed negroes in Africa? If these men have more time than what they re-

ally need, they had better risk Booker T. Washington for a job, as waiter in his new Massachusetts million dollar mansion. There is nothing doing in the rubber fields of Africa for the American negro.

The Industrial Advocate, vol. 1, No. 1, a neat little 4-page, size 10 x12 journal published by Magnus L. Robinson, and devoted to the interest of the Wm. McKinley Normal and Industrial School of Alexandria, Va., and Industrial Education in general, is a welcome visitor to our sanctum this week. The Advocate will be the product of the Printing Department of the McKinley school, and will also reflect the local doings of Alexandria City. The Bee wishes the Industrial Advocate and its veteran editor, Magnus L. Robinson, success.

The President Records.

When President Roosevelt first inaugurated his southern policy, the office holders and those who were dancing attendance to it declared that the President's Southern policy was a righteous one and those who did not agree with the policy, especially The Bee, Hon. Edward Doss and others were condemned and the Tories declared that those who had a hood enough to tell the President that his policy was wrong, were regarded as big inimical to the administration, and were condemned. The Bee as well as others, and now where it stood before, a republican Journal, believing in its principles and tactics. Those who then declared that the President was right, must now think as the President does now, that he was wrong and The Bee is right. The Bee is no toady, it is a journal of the people and will condemn any policy that is wrong and against the interests of the people. The Bee congratulates President Roosevelt and believes now that he is pursuing the right course.

Justice Anderson.

There is no man upon the bench of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia more agreeable and affable and is more anxious to be just and fair than Hon. Thomas H. Anderson who now presides in Criminal Court No. 1. Justice Anderson has no prejudices and will, at all times, give prisoners who are brought before him impartial trials.

PRESENCE OF MIND.

To It a Philadelphia Workman Owes His Escape from Almost Certain and Terrible Death.

By a rare exhibition of presence of mind Harry Brown, of Philadelphia, saved his life. When a huge sheet steel smokestack on which he was working toppled and started to fall, he dived inside it.

Brown was at work on a new building four stories high. A score of men were engaged in placing the smokestack, which is 30 feet long and five feet in diameter, on its brick base at the top of the building. It had been hoisted with powerful pulleys, and Brown was on top of the stack steering it into place.

Suddenly there was a shock and a sharp grating noise. Brown realized that the tackle was slipping, and that the metal cylinder was certain to crash down through the maze of steel beams between him and the ground. Like a flash he dropped the guide rope and dived into the stack just as it started to fall.

It dropped with a tremendous clatter and bounded from one steel beam to another until it struck the ground 50 feet below, with Brown still inside. His comrades hurried to the spot, expecting to find him crushed to death. When they looked into the stack he was slowly crawling out. He said he didn't think he was much hurt, but an ambulance surgeon found the right leg broken and one shoulder bruised.

"It was rather a close call, wasn't it?" said Brown. "Oddly enough, while I was being drawn up with the stack I was wondering what I would do if the tackle should break. Only a few seconds before I saw the stack begin to topple I had decided that my only chance was to jump inside of the stack and go down with it. "I would surely have been killed had I fallen down the steel frame work. I knew if I could stick inside of the stack it would protect me from the beams and would give me a chance of getting out alive. I barely had time to make the dive, for I was losing my balance as the tackle slipped."

Tin Soldiers for Everybody. In Nuremberg, Germany, 800 workmen are employed making lead soldiers and lead toys. They turn out about 100,000 lead soldiers a day.

JUST A CRAZY HOBO.

The Story of Charles T. Condon's Balloon Ascension.

It Made a Mental and Physical Wreck of a Steady-Nerved Athlete and Resulted in Other Terrible Accidents.

When Charles T. Condon played the role of aeronaut for a wager, three years ago, his experience cost him his reason. To-day, says the Denver Post, Condon is a tramp—one of the variety known as "stew bums." He came into Denver the other morning on a freight train; left the same afternoon or evening on a brake beam, to where, no one knows. Condon was once highly respected and was one of the leading young men of Oakland, Cal., where he was in the commission business.

One Sunday, in a spirit of banter, he volunteered to make a balloon ascension in the stead of a man disabled, who was to have afforded entertainment for crowds at a public resort. Some of his comrades took him up, offering to wager that he would not dare go up on a trapeze, swinging beneath the great hot air bag.

When his friends saw that Condon was in earnest, they begged him to desist, but this the spirit of bravado would not allow. Before the park manager realized he was sending an utterly inexperienced man up in the balloon, the guy ropes were cut loose and Condon with a running bound sat on the trapeze and was a hundred feet in the air.

A number of boys and men had held the balloon captive by the guy ropes in readiness for its flight. All but one let go as the balloon was released. On one of the ropes, either holding on or being caught in a tangle, was a lad utterly powerless to help himself and afraid to drop.

Up went the balloon. The people shouted from below, beckoned fran-



CONDON SAW THE LAD.

tically to Condon to bring the big bag back to earth, fearful for the life of the dangling lad. All unconscious of the boy's presence, Condon continued evolutions on the trapeze.

The balloon had ascended over a thousand feet before Condon caught a glimpse of the lad, clinging for life to the frail rope and utterly without support other than his own strength. Then realizing that the cutting loose of the parachute would mean death to the lad, he schemed to get him on the trapeze beside him.

The boy was swinging from a rope on the other side of the balloon as the wind swayed it, and Condon found it impossible to reach him. The only hope was to make the lad hold on until the hot air bag became sufficiently cooled to descend. Condon cried to the lad; begged him to hold tight; cursed, pleaded, threatened, knowing it was useless. At an elevation of nearly 2,000 feet the youngster's strength gave way and he dropped. The fall was witnessed by the thousands in the park.

The little body fell on the doorstep of a house less than a mile from the park. On the doorstep was an invalid mother and her married daughter, who had watched the flight of the balloon. The mother died shortly after from heart failure and the daughter was sent to a hospital, insane. There, her child was born, a few weeks later. On seeing the lad fall, Condon pulled the cord which cut the parachute loose. He came down safely, but was picked up unconscious as a result of his flight.

When he recovered, weeks after, he was not right mentally. His business went to ruin, and he took to drink. He disappeared within a year and friends failed to find him. It was learned that he tried to enlist for the Cuban war, but was refused. What he had done in the meantime or how he has lived is best explained by his appearance as he reached Denver.

Stoop-shouldered, unkempt, with a beard covering his face, he shambled to the Union hotel. The porter put him out, and he sought a resting place in a nearby saloon, where he promptly went to sleep in a chair. "Where have I been?" he queried, with the unmistakable leer of a mind mentally unbalanced. "Why, I've been everywhere. I'm a bum, just a common bum. I went up in a balloon once and it was my finish. I'd go up again if there were no kids hanging to it and I could drop out."

"Tell you about it? No, that's dead; so's the kid. Awful thing it was. My first time up and my last till I go up to die myself."

SOME WISE SERPENTS.

Smart Reptiles of Various Species That Make Life Pleasant for Pennsylvania People.

According to the Susquehanna (Pa.) correspondent of the Chicago Inter Ocean, John W. Upton, of Summersville, last autumn captured a water snake, which he, after careful training, tamed and made quite social. The reptile would come out of the water and go about the house like a pet, and at times would be quite affectionate. The children of Mr. Upton would feed him, and he learned to follow them around. One day he showed his gratitude in a manner that made him famous. Mr. Upton was standing on a mill dam, when he accidentally fell in.



SNAKE HAD A FEAST.

The pond was quite deep, and Mr. Upton was unable to swim. Drowning seemed inevitable. The snake appeared at this juncture and took in the situation at a glance. Plunging into the water he entwined his head and neck around one of the poles which supported the wharf, and extended his tail to Mr. Upton, and the latter grasped the tail of his ally and held on until members of the family, alarmed at his cries, came to his assistance.

Hank Saunders, a Smoky Hollow snake charmer, has 29 adders that think so much of him that they follow him around like dogs. On wash day each one takes the tip of a companion's tail in his mouth, and they allow themselves to be hung up on poles for clotheslines. In the summer time they braid themselves into a most ingenious hammock, in which the snake charmer rests or reads novels on the front porch.

Last fall Farmer Comstock, of the Cascade, discovered that one of his Jersey cows yielded no milk. Each night she was in a certain place near a swamp. One night Farmer Comstock decided to solve the mystery. He hid behind a stump, as he saw the cow standing in her accustomed place. In a few moments he saw a great snake come out of the swamp and begin milking the cow. Comstock killed the reptile and the mystery was solved.

CORPSE TALKED BACK.

Italian, Pronounced Dead by Jail Physician, Surprised an Undertaker and His Assistants.

Four assistants to an undertaker suddenly dropped a coffin they were carrying out of the Paterson (N. J.) jail door, when the supposed corpse broke open the lid and sat up and in vociferous Italian said he wasn't dead. He was Alexander Scazeletta, who



SAID HE WASN'T DEAD.

had been imprisoned for some slight offense.

He had been called in the morning by the keeper, but did not respond. His cell was opened but the man could not be aroused. The jail officials were informed and they sent for a physician, telling him that a prisoner had died in the night. The doctor made a casual examination and pronounced the man dead, and the undertaker was sent for. His employees were carrying the supposed corpse out to the wagon when Scazeletta opened his eyes and sat up in the coffin. For two days he talked incessantly in jail, but on Saturday he apparently lost the power of speech, only to recover it in the coffin, when he abused the undertaker's assistants. The jail physician ordered his release.

A Money-Making Scheme.

An easy way to get money is disclosed by an advertiser in the English papers. His advertisement reads thus: "Any lady or gentleman desiring to earn a little money without any interruption to their ordinary business, write to B—, enclosing one shilling in stamps, and we will forward particulars." When he receives the stamps, he sends a postal card with this information: "Do as I do."

TRICKED THE JUDGE.

How Police Court Lawyer Won Magistrate's Sympathy.

Made His Honor, Who is a War Veteran, Believe That the Tramp Before Him Was a Grand Army Comrade.

Anyone who wants to get into trouble with City Magistrate Joseph Pool, says the New York Sun, can do it by insulting the Grand Army of the Republic or any of its members in his presence. The converse of the proposition is also true; if you want Magistrate Pool on your side, stand up for the grand army every time. At least, this is what is said by people who have observed the course of events in the police courts.

City Magistrate Pool is a grand army man himself. While he was trying to build up a law practice at Cleveland the civil war began. He enlisted in the Sixty-seventh Ohio Infantry, served for a time as second lieutenant and was then appointed an assistant quartermaster. At the end of the fighting he was mustered out with the rank of brevet lieutenant colonel. That explains his interest in the men who fought in that war. And on one occasion at least the stories the lawyers tell are true—into what he supposed was an act of sympathy and charity toward an old comrade in arms.

It was a dull day in the police court. Among the prisoners was an unfortunate whom the police would class as "an ordinary bum." He had been arrested for intoxication. One of the lawyers got hold of the prisoner and properly instructed him and also tipped off the policeman who arrested him.

Then they put a badge made out of a cent and a piece of chewing gum on the man's lapel. The cent made a good enough G. A. R. emblem to deceive anybody who was nearsighted.



"OLD G. A. R. MAN."

The prisoner's turn at the bar of justice came at last.

"Old G. A. R. man," said the lawyer to the magistrate in a tone full of suppressed compassion. "Well, well, old G. A. R. man, eh?" repeated the magistrate, leaning over toward the prisoner. "Well, this is a pleasure. Old G. A. R. man, eh? what regiment were you in?"

The prisoner, prompted by the lawyer in a whisper replied: "The—th Ohio, yer honor."

"Indeed!" said the magistrate. "Why, I was in an Ohio regiment myself. Who was your colonel?"

"Col. Brown," was the prompt reply. "Col. Brown? Why, I don't remember him. What battalions were you in?"

"Tell him," whispered the lawyer, "that you were in several—Gettysburg, sure."

The answer was repeated. "Why, your regiment wasn't at Gettysburg," said the magistrate.

"Tell him you were transferred to a Massachusetts regiment," whispered the lawyer.

"Well, you see it wuz this way, yer honor: I wuz transferred out of my regiment into a Massachusetts regiment," was the reply of the prisoner.

The magistrate asked a few more questions of the prisoner. "Well," he said finally, "this poor man looks as if he needed a bath. Here, officer, take this five-dollar bill and take this man somewhere where he can get a good bath, a good meal and a clean bed."

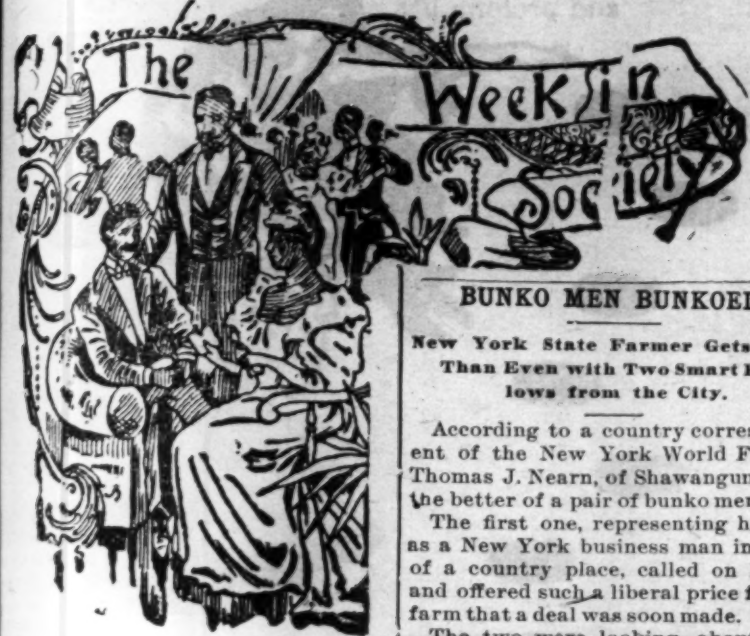
The prisoner's eyes glistened. "The prisoner," continued the magistrate, "is honorably discharged. You are honorably discharged. Go and sin no more."

As soon as the policeman got the prisoner to the street he booted him half a block and then the policeman, the lawyer and the rest of the court crowd had several rounds of drinks at the corner saloon out of the five-dollar bill.

And they say that the magistrate had as much fun out of the story as anybody when they told it to him a week later. But it didn't break his faith in the grand army man.

Sitting Hen Protects Parrot.

Mrs. William Riggs, of Marion, Ind., caused the arrest of Frank Garigus on the charge of stealing a pocketbook containing \$40, which she alleged was hidden under a tub at her home. While Garigus was awaiting trial Mrs. Riggs remembered having transferred the pocketbook from the tub and of placing it under a sitting hen in the kitchen. An officer was dispatched to the Riggs home and found the pocketbook under the faithful hen, who made a game fight to prevent the officer from taking it.



THE WEEK IN SOCIETY

BUNKO MEN BUNKOED.
New York State Farmer Gets More Than Even with Two Smart Fellows from the City.

According to a country correspondent of the New York World Farmer Thomas J. Nearn, of Shawangunk, got the better of a pair of bunco men.

The first one, representing himself as a New York business man in want of a country place, called on Nearn and offered such a liberal price for his farm that a deal was soon made.

The two were looking about the farm, and the purchaser was telling of improvements he proposed to make, when Bunco Man No. 2 put in an appearance. He was roughly dressed, and professed to be a drover anxious to buy stock. He acted as if half drunk, and soon began bragging of a new game he had learned in New York last week. Then, producing some cards, he began throwing them clumsily and offering to bet that no one could pick out the "joker."

The farm buyer made several wagers and won easily, and then found it easy to persuade the farmer to try his luck. The manipulator of the cards suddenly grew skillful, and very soon the proceeds of Farmer Nearn's last milk check, about \$50, was in the drover's pocket.

With the loss of his money came the realization that he had been victimized.

"I've got some more money in the house," said Nearn, "and I'll get it and try my luck again. That dod-gastly joker can't fool me allus."

He made a quick trip to the house, and on his return pulled out, not a "roll," but a revolver, which he leveled at the bunco men and told them to throw up their hands.

They saw determination in the old man's eye, and up went their hands. His first care was to relieve them of their revolvers. This done, he said:

"Now, hand over my money and all the other cash you've got about your measy carcasses."

They handed it over.

Then he told them to "git," and they "got."

"Doing bunco men pays a durned sight better and is a heap more excitin' than farmin'," he remarked to his neighbors.

His Taste Uncertain.
"Pooch!" said Daisy, scornfully, "the idea of your being afraid of a poor old house dog! Why, he eats out of my hand."

"I don't doubt it," replied Burroughs, dubiously, "but what I am afraid of is that he might take a notion to eat out of my leg."—Smart Set.

Naturalism Among Amateurs.
The little daughter of a New York family, who is in school near Washington, wrote home describing some amateur theatricals the pupils had, and the letter contained the information that "Susie Jackson played the part of a peasant woman. She was very lifelike, for she wiped her lips with the tablecloth."

Holds the Talking Record.
The most rapid talker in the house of representatives is Charles E. Littlefield, of Maine. He is a terror to the official stenographer, sometimes getting very close to the 300-words-a-minute record, established by Henry U. Johnson, of Indiana, who served several terms in congress.

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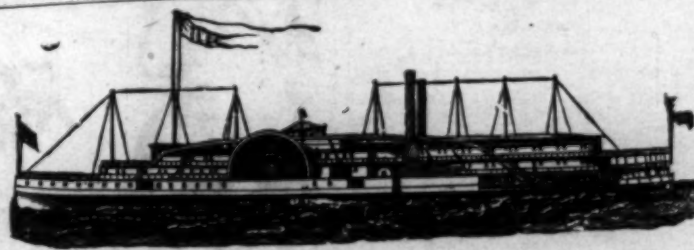
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MISS ROSE WEAKEBED.

Could Not Carry Out the Matrimonial Joke Planned by Andrew Park, Her Fiance.

Miss Alice Rose, of Sedalia, O., was one of the guests at a masquerade party given on New Year's night at Tonsawanda, Pa. Among the men in costume at that time was Andrew Park and in the evening he danced with Miss Rose. He became impressed with the fact that his fair unknown was his fiancée. He accused her of being the girl who had promised to become his bride and when she denied it pressed his suit the

Getting Back at Doc.

"I once treated a mule and he didn't kick as much as you have," said the doctor to the obstreperous patient.

"Oh, well, the mule didn't have to pay your bill," said the patient, quickly.—Yonkers Statesman.

Then He Gets Noisy.

Mrs. Biggs—Your husband isn't much for show. He always dresses very quietly.

Mrs. Diggs—Huh! You ought to hear him sometimes when his collar button rolls under the dresser.—Chicago Daily News.

BANISHED BY COURT.

Strange Punishment Authorized by
Long Island Judge.

Fourteen-Year-Old Boy, Who Plotted
to Kill a Little Girl, Sentenced
to Pass Three Years on
Lonely Island.

Leonard Robinson, 14 years old, a resident of Blue Point, L. I., is now undergoing the strangest punishment for crime on record. Because he plotted to murder Jessie Dames he was banished from home, family and friends for three years, and during this time he must live in an isolated hut overlooking the waters of Shinnecock bay far out on Long Island. Recently he broke away from his banishment and started to the home of his relatives, but was captured and taken back to the hotel, where he must stay until the expiration of the time specified by the extraordinary ruling in his case.

The unusual punishment meted out to this boy was not based upon law. It was simply a concession made by the father of the girl he plotted to kill when the boy's father and mother begged that he would not push the case and send their son to a reformatory or lunatic asylum, which would place a stigma upon him throughout life.

It was in reality a compromise reached out of court. Judge W. S. Conklin, of Patchogue, consented to the remarkable sentence, and specifically stipulated that the boy should not be seen in the vicinity of his home for three years. The court passed sentence on the boy with a stern injunction that he obey.

"I'll try to stand it," replied the youth, with trembling lips. "It seems pretty hard to leave pa and ma that long, but I'll do whatever they agree to."

So on the third of March Leonard was packed off to Canoe Place, a



SHOOTING DUCKS IN THE BAY.

fisher village close by the waters of the bay at the foot of the bleak, bare-topped Shinnecock hills beyond Goodground, L. I. The village is 35 miles away from Blue Point, where Leonard Robinson was reared in an attractive cottage in the heart of the town. Soon after the boy arrived at Canoe Place he gained permission of S. C. Warner to sleep and eat in his house. In payment for this he agreed to work hard fishing and clammimg and shooting ducks in the bay.

The boy grew homesick. The Warners were kind to him and he stood his banishment well for a while, but one day during a particularly hard attack of homesickness he wrote to his mother asking if he could not leave Canoe Place and meet her at the home of his married sister in Sayville. This would necessitate his passing through Patchogue and Blue Point on the train. He begged his mother to meet him at Patchogue and escort him through these towns, promising that he would not get off the train if she did so.

Then it was that the mother's love prevailed. She could see no violation of the agreement with Jessie Dames' father in this, so she consented to do as the boy requested. But it was a mistaken move. The lawyer for Capt. J. S. Dames heard that the boy was at large and again in the vicinity and served notice upon James Robinson, the father, that if the lad was found in that region of Long Island he would be held up and the law applied most vigorously.

When the father received notice that the boy must strictly obey the letter of the banishment agreement he took his son back to the dreary little hut which has been built for him close by the bay at Canoe Place. The father determined that he would stay there, too, with the boy to prevent his leaving. Thus it came about that the Robinson home was broken up.

Altogether the case has proved the most extraordinary and the most puzzling proposition ever brought up in the courts of Long Island. It is not at all improbable that an appeal will be made to Gov. Odell for a more satisfactory adjustment of the affair than that which has sent the lad far from the influence of home to a lonely village, where he must spend three years on the waters of Shinnecock bay shooting ducks, hunting and fishing, with no educational opportunities, no restraining influences—nothing but unbounded freedom to pursue such things as will develop rather than check those evil tendencies of character which caused him to plot the assassination of the daughter of one of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of Blue Point.

FOOLED THE WATCHMAN.

Two Chicago Boys Made a Noise Like
a Cat and Then Stole All
Sorts of Junk.

Joseph Caladons, who is 15 years old, and John Felone, who is four years younger, were before Justice Dooley in the Maxwell street police court at Chicago to answer to the charge of stealing iron from a Halsted street junk yard. The evidence showed that a few nights ago young Felone was in the yard and his movements awoke the watchman.

"Who's there?" demanded the watchman, as he raised his gun to shoot. It was a critical moment, but the boy was quick to think.



"DON'T SHOOT, MR. WATCHMAN."

"Meow, meow," he said.

"Oh, it's only a cat," said the watchman. "I thought somebody was stealing again."

The boy escaped safely, and in company with Caladons returned the following night. Caladons volunteered to invade the junk yard.

"If the watchman wakes up, just make him believe you are a cat," advised Felone. "Just say 'meow, meow,' and he won't bother you. I worked that game on him myself."

Caladons entered the yard, but in moving about, slipped and made a slight noise, which aroused the watchman.

"Who's there?" demanded the watchman, moving slowly forward. "Speak or I'll shoot."

Caladons was so excited that he forgot his orders. Suddenly, however he remembered and shouted:

"Don't shoot, Mr. Watchman; I'm a cat; meow, meow."

The boy's arrest followed and later his companion was taken into custody.

CAT RETRIEVES BIRDS.

His Master Considers Bob the Brightest
and Most Educated Feline
That Ever Lived.

Bob is a cat, and in St. Louis, where he lives, he is heralded as the most remarkable cat that ever lived. He does so many queer things that his owner, Mr. Hezekiah Gregg, is convinced that he is possessed of a vein of humorous intelligence.

This cat is 11 years old and a natural born aristocrat. He eats at a table, and always washes his face before sitting down. He goes to bed at nine p. m. and sleeps 12 hours. This is his unvarying rule. He goes hunting with his master and retrieves as satisfactorily as any dog ever did. He can open doors by twisting the knobs in his strong paws, and, strange



BOB GOES HUNTING.

to relate, his bosom friend and constant companion is a dog.

Bob is a big, mouse-colored fellow and weighs 18 pounds. He never indulges in nightly orgies, but instead sleeps in a real bed, all covered up while other common cats are singing on alley fences and fighting. In the morning he gets up without being called, and the first thing he does after rolling out of his novel little bed is to wash his face in a serious manner with his front paws.

His breakfast consists of a piece of beefsteak, some raw potatoes and bread. He does not eat with his mouth in the plate, but carefully lifts the food in his paws and places it in his mouth.

Bob's mother lived to be 15 years old, and was also a wonder.

Carried Her Off as Freight. A West Virginia man eloped with a hefty bride the other day. Her weight is 432 pounds, and it is supposed they journeyed to Pittsburg on a freight train.

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Sympathy Between Twins.

Two brothers living in Anderson county, Kentucky, are said by the Harrodsburg Democrat to have married sisters, and to each have been born three children of the same sex, with the same birthdays. One felt a shock in his foot and said the other, who was ten miles away, had been hurt. In the evening the absent brother turned up with three mangled toes. The twins weigh the same to an ounce.

Treasures of the Aztecs.

Explorers in the neighborhood of Chama, Guatemala, have discovered treasures during their excavations in search of mines. Coins and jewels, decorating corpses buried centuries ago by the Aztecs and Montezumas, have been found. So far the valuables have amounted to over \$50,000. Workmen on the Chama plantations are wild, and have abandoned their usual work to hunt for buried treasures.

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Pointer for You

I shall in this column endeavor to answer all correspondence that may be sent and urgently request young ladies to read this column, and any questions that they wished answered please send them in before Saturday of each week.

By Miss MAY CLEMATIS.

It will be less harmful if you will attend to your own business.
Read good books and keep good company.
Momentary friendship is dangerous. Don't expose yourself to criticism. Let right and justice be your guide. No matter what your occupation is, protect yourself.
Rebecca, your intended is quite promising. He is everything that is right.
E. A. You should not be so quick tempered. Always think twice before you speak or act.
Don't dress flashy it gives you a bad reputation.
L. H. You should take time and write to your friends.
Flirtation is vulgar in any one.
Select your company especially when you are away from home.
Rachel, a slight effort would convince you that all love is not unrequited, for every girl enjoys the grandiloquence of a silvery lining.
Let your walks be all sunshine. Life is not worth living for, when there is always a confusion.
A public display of affection is not indulged in by well bred people.
There is no genius of life like the genius of energy and industry.
M. H. Keep your lips closed and no one will know your ignorance.
Girls: it is not the proper thing for a lady to hold a man's hat and coat throughout church services. Men should be made to know they have hands and a lap of their own.
I. G. You should not disappoint. Your word should be your bond.
A loud laugh betrays a vacant mind.
B. L. Be a good listener and a slow talker.
Don't gossip about other people's business.
M. C. The girl who weds for profession only, weds to her sorrow.
A careless person is not worthy of his hire.
S. H. Think well and do nothing that will cause suspicion.
Do your duty and follow the rules of industry.
E. C. Be grateful to those who are your friends.
A conceited man imagines that he is sought after more than the man of good sense.
Speak well of your neighbors.
The world is full of talkative girls.
The man who speaks ill of any woman without a cause, is unfit for society.
Never be ungrateful neither should you betray your friends.
A useful girl is a benefit to any business.
The girl who cherishes taste will certainly attract.
We sometimes fail to thank those who assist us.
Edith. Don't imagine that you want everything you see.
The way to hold your friends is to be kind to them.
Flattery. Don't imagine that you are pretty and sweet because you are told so. There is a motive behind it.
Never obligate yourself to any one. You may regret it some day.
If you dress well you will cause comment. If you don't, a comment will be made anyway.
An honest girl is a jewel.
Be polite, discreet and amiable.
A changeable person usually handles the truth carelessly.
O. D. Tell the truth sometimes. One does not know when you are telling the truth.
Suspicion haunts the guilty mind.
Don't tell all you know.
A girl should be independent. She should not keep one man's company to the exclusion of others, except she be engaged.
Maggie. Don't be conceited neither ought you to imagine that you are adored for your looks. Girls are often flattered with themselves but disappointed to others.
A true friend will never disobey you nor will he disregard your advice. True friends live to please and not to displease.
The sweetest person is the one who is unconscious of his own good traits.
Doing nothing is the hardest work for an industrious person.
To sad to see a man or woman puffing up with his own folly.

WILLIE WALLIE ASTOR.

Self-Expatiated American Millionaire to Be Created a Baron by King Edward.

Latest official report has it that William Waldorf Astor will be created Baron Cliveden of Taplow.

Mr. Astor's ennoblement is certainly unpopular and causes resentment even in ministerial circles. But it is said for him, half apologetically, that he contributed \$250,000 to the last Tory election fund and will give as much before the next general election. The man whose tremendous fortune was made in the country that thrashed George III. is a Tory of Tories.

It is authoritatively said, too, that Mr. Astor will sell the Pall Mall Gazette at the moment of his ennoblement.



WILLIAM WALDORF ASTOR.
(Former American, to Be Created Lord Cliveden of Taplow.)

ment. He does not consider the proprietorship of a newspaper to be consistent with the dignity of a peer of England. Nevertheless, Lord Glenesk, proprietor of the Morning Post, is one of the ablest, most respected members of the house of lords. Lord Glenesk has never dreamed of selling his newspaper, which, however, is an extremely valuable property.

Formerly there was a legal obstacle to the creation of naturalized Englishmen as peers. This law was enacted to prevent William of Orange from making lords of a number of his Dutch friends.

Cliveden, from which Mr. Astor will take his title, is the splendid seat which he bought from the duke of Westminster several years ago. The price was then said to be \$1,250,000.

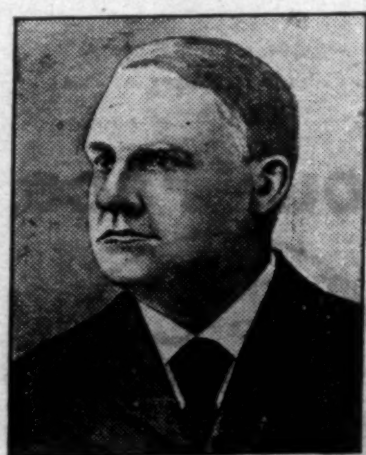
Cliveden is on the Thames, between Taplow and Cookham, about seven miles above Windsor. The famous mansion towers behind the rippling Thames for a mighty moat. Long the woods of Cliveden were the resort of many a river picnic, but Mr. Astor felt compelled to close the grounds to visitors.

Cliveden house has been written largely in English history. Perhaps the most celebrated of its owners was George Villiers, second duke of Buckingham, the witty and profligate favorite of Charles II. The addition of the words "of Taplow" to the new title will, as usual, further individualize it. It has long been known that Mr. Astor's social and political ambitions pointed straight to the house of peers. The head of the house of Astor, he chose to expatriate himself in 1895 and take up his residence in England.

STEPHEN B. ELKINS.

West Virginia Senator Who Has a Little Misunderstanding with the Grand Army.

United States Senator Stephen B. Elkins, who is charged by Dr. Lees, of West Virginia, with misrepresenting his war record in order to gain admission to membership in the G. A. R., makes no mention of having been a union soldier in the biographical sketch of his life, which appears in the congressional directory. Senators and representatives themselves furnish the data of these biographies. According to the entry under Senator Elkins' name he was graduated at the Missouri state university in 1860, was admitted to the bar in 1864, and emigrated that year to Mexico. If he took part in the war on either side the senator seems fit to omit mention of it. The directory sketch gives no account of his doings between 1860 and 1864.



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(West Virginia G. A. R. Men Question His War Record.)

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Cats and Their Toilet.

Cats make the most careful toilet of any animals, excepting some of the opossums. Lions and tigers wash themselves like the cat, wetting the dark, India rubber-like ball of the forehead and the inner toe and passing to the face and behind the ears. The foot is thus a face sponge and brush, and the rough tongue combs the rest of the body.

Has Lost Faith in Prayer.

A certain Brooklyn girl has doubts of the existence of God, because He refused to answer her prayer. For three weeks she prayed earnestly, night and morning, and this was her prayer: "Oh, Lord, make me stylish—make me very stylish. Set all the young men wild over me!"

POPE LEO'S CHOICE.

His Holiness Favors Cardinal Sarto for the Papacy.

A Man of Great Talent and Extreme Modesty Who Favors Peace Between the Church and the Italian Government.

No prince of the church could be selected to succeed to the pontificate whose accession to the papal throne would be more potent in its significance than that of Cardinal Giuseppe Sarto, at this moment the patriarch of Venice. The venerable Leo, surely nearing the end of his wonderful reign fondly hopes that Cardinal Sarto will step into his shoes, and no prelate, not even the holy father himself, is more beloved in the Catholic faith than Sarto.

The position taken by the pope with reference to a modus vivendi between the church and the temporal throne of Italy and that assumed by Cardinal Sarto, makes the choice of Sarto, voiced by Pope Leo, seem an apparent anomaly says the New York World.

Cardinal Sarto publicly announced his joy when there were strong probabilities of a union between church and state, and his accession to the pontificate is regarded in some quarters as the solution of the Roman problem so long unsolved and so long a cause of dissension over all Italy, to say nothing of its bearing upon the attitude of other Catholic countries. Cardinal Sarto is noted for his prudence, having never meddled with politics, and for extreme independence. He is also a patron of the arts, and launched Father Lorenzo Perosi, the celebrated priest composer.

The cardinal is recognized as one of the most learned men of the church. He is a stickler for the exact truth as between the church and the people, and won much renown some years ago by destroying certain relics of doubtful authenticity. He would, it is pointed out, bring to his high office a character of most attractive modesty, unusual energy in the direction of matters large and small, the talents of a fine adminis-



CARDINAL GIUSEPPE SARTO.
(Pope Leo Wants Him to Be His Successor in the Papacy.)

trative officer and the first qualities of an organizer. In addition to his abilities and his undoubted Christian character the cardinal is, from the sweetness of his nature, beloved by many millions of people. It is certain that no prelate would have a more enthusiastic sanction from the laity.

In speaking to Father Perosi recently, the pope said: "Hold him very dear Perosi, as in the future he will be able to do much for you. We firmly believe he will be our successor."

Cardinal Sarto is 67 years old. He was born at Riese, in the province of Venice and was educated in the Salesian institute at Cottolengo, founded by the famous Dom Bosco. He was always of a serious turn of mind and when a young man his rector said to him that he had "never been a child."

Cardinal Sarto was not "discovered" until he had reached middle age. He was a parish priest in the province of Venice for the most of his years and finally became a bishop. His high executive qualities and unexcelled learning became known soon after his elevation and were recognized by the authorities of the church. It was not until 1893 that he was created a cardinal, at which time he was also named as patriarch of Venice. Thus the modest but able parish priest became the head of the province in which he had served so many years in a lowly position. His selection was made by the consistory of 1893 which was compelled to sue the throne for the privilege of installing him as patriarch of Venice.

In return for the concession, which was made through Premier Crispi, the church appointed an ecclesiastical vicar apostolic in northeastern Africa to assist the premier in his pet scheme of extending the African colonies.

Cardinal Sarto had not been in office more than a year before he publicly declared for a union between church and state speaking in no uncertain way. His utterances created a great sensation, and it was felt that he might have offended the holy see by the fervor of his words. Apparently he received the silent approbation of the pope, in whose estimation he has ever held a firm place.

The Stylus as a Weapon.

The Roman stylus was often made heavy, that it might be used as a weapon. It was with such a stylus as this that Caesar defended himself when attacked by the conspirators.

WILL WALK TO DAKOTA.

Countess Helena Von Schoenberg Determined to Get a Divorce from Her Husband.

Tired of being married and yet without a husband, wearying of a struggle for existence that grows more tiresome every day, Countess Helena Davendorf Von Schoenberg, of New York, wife of a count of Holland, has decided to seek divorce from the man she says has deserted her. She has decided to go to Dakota and bring her action there. If necessary the countess will walk every step of the way.

Countess Von Schoenberg is a woman of determination, as was proved when she walked from Phila-



COUNTESS VON SCHOENBERG
(Will Walk from Brooklyn to Dakota to Obtain a Divorce.)

delphia to a small town in the interior of New York state and then back to the Quaker city again in a fruitless search for her husband, who had left her and her child. Later she walked to Brooklyn, having heard that Count Von Schoenberg was in that borough. Failing to locate him, the countess swore out a warrant for his arrest, charging him with abandonment and a picture of the count, which the countess once had torn in four parts, is now in the care of the detectives who have the warrant in their possession.

It was the countess' request for this picture that led to the information that she intends suing for divorce. To Clerk Elliprin, in the Adams street police court in Brooklyn, the countess declared her intention of going to Dakota to sue for a divorce.

"In my present position," she said, "I find myself unable to obtain suitable employment and I have decided that the only step for me to take is to get a divorce. As I can't get one in this state I will go to Dakota and get one there. I'll go there if I have to walk every step of the way."

It was about two months ago that Countess Von Schoenberg arrived in Brooklyn. She had walked most of the way from Philadelphia, having been told that her husband, described as a tall, well-built man of imposing appearance, was at work in that borough. She arrived without a cent and sought shelter at the home for friendless women in Concord street and applied to the Adams street police station for the arrest of her husband. She said that she was married to the count in Holland against the wishes of his parents and soon after came to this country. They lived happily for a short time and had one child, a girl.

NEW MONTANA CAVE.

Recently Discovered in the Neighborhood of Butte by a Party of Lime Quarrymen.

A remarkable natural cave has been discovered in Montana, about 50 miles east of Butte. A large river with a cataract of about 100 feet was explored



ENTRANCE TO THE CAVE.
(Discovered Accidentally by a Party of Lime Quarrymen.)

for a distance of several miles without discovering its source or outlet. A few articles of stone and copper utensils and some bones, believed to be human bones, were also discovered in one of the large apartments explored. There were other evidences that at some time in a prehistoric period the cave was used as a habitation. The present entrance to the cave was made by some lime quarrymen at a point 1,600 feet above the bed of the Jefferson river while engaged in blasting rock. The formations of stalactite and other natural decorations throughout the cave are pronounced the most beautiful and varied ever seen.

He Makes the Keys Hum.

The speediest telegrapher in the country is Harry V. Emanuel, of Philadelphia. In a recent test at Atlanta, in the Kimball house, in 30 minutes he received 50% ten-word messages, breaking the record, which, by the way, he always held—by six messages.

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The record for the price of a seat on the New York stock exchange was broken recently, when H. E. Montgomery paid \$80,000 for a seat that was bought in 1869 for \$400.

The crops of 1901 in Manitoba were very large, official returns showing 50,500,000 bushels of wheat, 27,796,000 bushels of oats, 6,536,000 bushels of barley, and 4,800,000 bushels of potatoes.

The American Sugar Refining company, commonly called the sugar trust, has recently paid off its mortgage of \$10,000,000, which was made in 1891 and would not have matured until 1911.

The Association of Merchants in Berlin has sent to the federal council a memorial asking for the legislative regulation of trade combinations in order that the artificial raising of prices may be avoided.

According to the estimate of the Railroad Gazette, 4,518 miles of railroad were built in the United States in 1901, Texas leading (537 miles) in the list of states and territories, with Oklahoma (398) second, and West Virginia third.

ODES AND ENDS.

Quite 50 per cent. of the property of England is insured.

Belgium has 175,000 taverns and saloons for the sale of liquors.

The value of the minerals marketed in England in 1900 was £135,957,676.

Divers in West Australia receive \$97 for every ton of shells of mother-of-pearl.

During 1900 no less than 2,717 deaths in Ireland were attributed to cancer.

The number of postal cards sold in 1900 by the German postal department was 358,000,000.

The number of postage stamps sold in Germany was 2,618,489,316 in 1899 and 2,948,356,308 in 1900.

Boy bridegrooms are growing in number in London. There are four under 21 in every 100 bridegrooms. About 16 girls under 21 per 100 get married.

A Dime Well Invested.

It was an Odessa, Pa., youth, according to one of the Lafayette county papers, upon whom this advertisement made a deep impression: "Young man—Some woman dearly loves you. Would you know who she is? She would like to be your only sweetheart. Send ten cents in stamps to Occult Diviner, address as above, and learn her name." He sent the stamps and got his answer. What was it? "Mother."

SCRAPS OF INFORMATION.

In Texas superstitious people carry a small bone from a fish's head, but the luck only comes after the charm has been lost.

The Bedouin Arabs are small eaters. Six or seven dates soaked in melted butter serve a man a whole day, with a very small quantity of coarse flour or a little ball of rice.

As late as 1840 there were neither roads nor coaches in any country district of Portugal. Gentlemen traveled on horseback and ladies in sedan chairs, carried by men, or in mule litters.

It is said that Herbert C. Hoover is one of the highest salaried men of his years in the industrial world. At the age of 29 he is in receipt of \$33,000 annually for his services as a mining expert.



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